Hi Everyone,

We will release another AKWIC build this weekend to disable quarter packages for non-contract formulas. Please keep your computers on this weekend.

As of October 1, we have corrected the amount of formula in ENPR packages to conform with federal regulations. These food packages are already available in AKWIC for full and ½ packages. Clients will notice a decrease in the number of cans monthly. We're sending this flyer to LAs for distribution to their clients receiving ENPR packages. These decreases will not affect WIC clients receiving their formula through Procare. Please call Jennifer Johnson, 465-8104, or Dana Kent, 465-5322 with questions.

Thanks, Kathleen

> MOV Program – Fred Meyer has located a shelf stable cheese that will replace the Kraft Deli-Deluxe that ceased production. The replacement is 16 oz. American Heritage Deluxe American Cheese. Fred Meyer will receive delivery of it in about five weeks, so the soonest it will begin appearing in boxes is the week of November 12. The Vendor Unit will provide more information as it becomes available.

The Vendor Unit is in the process of re-authorizing all vendors, and we expect to complete the process by the end of the month. There are about seven interested new vendors; we will accept applications from them starting November 1, since they will have to complete price sheets as part of the application process. We'll review their price sheets along with the authorized vendors' price sheets next month. (Fall Price Sheets will follow rapidly upon vendor reauthorization.)

The Vendor Manual is undergoing revision this month to incorporate changes from the past year, updated forms, and preliminary information about SPIRIT. If anyone would like to review the manual concurrent with the USDA review, the draft will be available on or before November 1. Thanks, Sandy